



RULE 116 AMENDMENT

RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Kenneth M. Buckland et al.
 Serial No.: 09/414,082
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 Group Art Unit: 2665
 Examiner: Justin M. Philpott
 Title: METHOD FOR USING A PRE-CONFIGURED TDM
 SWITCH AND TRAFFIC DISCARD TO
 FACILITATE UPSR SELECTION

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RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

In response to the Final Office Action mailed September 21, 2004, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following Amendments thereto, and the comments as set forth below. Please amend the Application as follows.